

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide having an N-terminus of the sequence: X¹X²SLX³V, wherein X¹ represents methionine or is absent, X² represents glycine or is absent, and X³ represents an amino acid residue (SEQ ID NO:9), said RNase A superfamily polypeptide being selectively toxic to a proliferating endothelial cell.

2. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 having ~~SEQ. ID. No.: 2~~ SEQ ID NO:2.

3. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 having 90% homology to ~~SEQ. ID. No.: 2~~ SEQ ID NO:2.

4. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 having ~~SEQ. ID. No.: 4~~ SEQ ID NO:4.

5. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 having 90% homology to ~~SEQ. ID. No.: 4~~ SEQ ID NO:4.

6. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the N-terminus is MSLHV (SEQ ID NO:11).

7. (currently amended) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the N-terminus is MGSLHV (SEQ ID NO:10).

8. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the N-terminus is attached to the EDN protein.

9. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the proliferating endothelial cell is a neoplastic endothelial cell.

10. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the proliferating endothelial cell is a non-neoplastic endothelial cell.

11. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 9 wherein the neoplastic endothelial cell is a Kaposi sarcoma KS Y-1 cell.

12. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 9 wherein the neoplastic endothelial cell is a KS Y-3 cell.

13. (original) An RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 9 wherein the neoplastic endothelial cell is selected from the group consisting of KS 1, KS 2, KS 3, KS 4, KS 5, and KS 6 cells.

14. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising
- a. a unit dosage RNase A superfamily polypeptide comprising an N-terminus of the sequence: $X^1X^2SLX^3V$, wherein X^1 represents methionine or is absent, X^2 represents glycine or is absent, and X^3 represents an amino acid residue (SEQ ID NO:9), said RNase A superfamily polypeptide being selectively toxic to a proliferating endothelial cell; and
 - b. a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

15. (currently amended) A method of selectively inhibiting the growth of a proliferating endothelial cell by

- a. contacting said cell with an RNase A superfamily polypeptide comprising an N-terminus of the sequence: $X^1X^2SLX^3V$, wherein X^1 represents methionine or is absent, X^2 represents glycine or is absent, and X^3 represents an amino acid residue (SEQ ID NO:9), said RNase A superfamily polypeptide being selectively toxic to a proliferating endothelial cell; and
 - b. detecting the inhibition of the growth of said cell.
- 16. (original) The method of claim 15 wherein the proliferating endothelial cell is a neoplastic cell.
- 17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the neoplastic cell is a Kaposi sarcoma cell.
- 18. (original) The method of claim 17 wherein the Kaposi sarcoma cell is selected from the group consisting of KS 1, KS 2, KS 3, KS 4, KS 5, KS 6, KS Y-1, and KS Y-3 cells.
- 19. (currently amended) A method of treating a patient with proliferating endothelial cells by
 - a. administering an effective amount of an RNase A superfamily polypeptide comprising an N-terminus of the sequence: $X^1X^2SLX^3V$, wherein X^1 represents methionine or is absent, X^2 represents glycine or is absent, and X^3 represents an amino acid residue (SEQ ID NO:9), said RNase A superfamily polypeptide being selectively toxic to a proliferating endothelial cell; and
 - b. detecting the amelioration of Kaposi sarcoma in said patient.

20. (original) The method of claim 19 wherein the RNase A superfamily polypeptide is in an aqueous solution comprising a unit dosage and pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

21. (original) A method of manufacturing a pharmaceutical composition comprising the step of combining the RNase A superfamily polypeptide of claim 1 with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.